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March 1, 1999

Magalie Roman Salas, Esquire Secretary Federal Communications Commission Room 222 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Castle Dale, Utah.

Sincerely,

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President

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Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION COMMISSIO

In the matter of:)		
Amendment of Section 73.202 (b)) ,	RM-	
Table of Allotments),	L/IAI-	
FM Broadcast Stations)		
(Castle Dale, Utah))		

PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 237C3 (95.3 Mhz) to Castle Dale, Utah as its first local FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 237C3 (95.3 Mhz) to Castle Dale, Utah and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 237C3 to Castle Dale will have.

DISCUSSION

2. Castle Dale is located in Central Utah. It is also located within Emery County, a county of some 10,332 persons. Castle Dale has a population of 1,704 persons in accordance with the U.S. 1990 census.

3. The allotment of channel 237C3 to Castle Dale will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to Castle Dale is located at Price, Utah. Price is located 41 kilometers from Castle Dale.

It is obvious that from the above spacing that Castle Dale is presently without local FM service.

- 4. Castle Dale would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 41 Kilometers of Castle Dale. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the Castle Dale area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards.
- 5. Channel 237C3 can be allotted to Castle Dale and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	
Castle Dale, Utah		237C3	

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 237C3 and the pertinent adjacent channels to 237C3 have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 39 - 12' - 48", W. 111 - 01' - 18") are that of a site located within the community of Castle Dale. No site restriction will be required to allot channel 237C3 to Castle Dale. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Castle Dale. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

- 7. It has been shown that Castle Dale would benefit from the allotment of channel 237C3. It has also been shown that channel 237C3 can be allotted to Castle Dale and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 237C3 for Castle Dale, Utah, 73.202.
- 8. Should channel 237C3 be allotted to Castle Dale, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Castle Dale, Utah.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated:

March 1, 1999

Respectfully submitted,

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MAPFM search of channel 237C3 (95.3 MHz), at N. 39 12 48, W. 111 1 18.

Searching Channel 237C3 (95.3 MHz): CALL CITY ST CHN CL S DIST SEPN BRNG **CLEARANCE** ALC Provo UT 235 C U 142.3 326.6° 96.0 46.3 KZHT Provo UT 235 C L 142.3 96.0 326.6° 46.3 ALC Delta CO 236 C U 245.0 176.0 98.7° 69.0 KKNN Delta 98.7° CO 236 C L 245.0 176.0 69.0 K237AB Orangeville UT 237 D L 10.4 268.0° 0.0 10.4 ALC Delta UT 239 C1 U 136.4 271.6° 76.0 60.4 KZEZ Delta UT 239 C1 L 119.6 76.0 268.0° 43.6

FIGURE 1
CASTLE DALE, UTAH
MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING

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